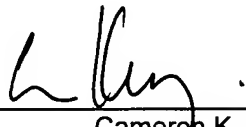


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)			Docket No. 50623.409	
In re Application of: K.T. Venkateswara Rao				
Serial No. 10/668,077	Filing Date September 22, 2003	Examiner Bruce Edward Snow	Group Art Unit 3738	
Invention: Drug-Eluting Stent and Methods of Making Same				
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:				
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 8, 2005, in the above-identified application.				
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):				
<input type="checkbox"/> One month	<input type="checkbox"/> Two months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months
From: <u>December 9, 2005</u> until <u>March 8, 2006</u> Date Date				
The fee for the extension of time is \$1020.00 and is to be paid as follows:				
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1850. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.				
Dated: March 8, 2006 Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. 1 Maritime Plaza, Suite 300 San Francisco, CA 94111 (415) 954-0200		 Cameron K. Kerrigan Reg. No. 44,826		
cc: Docket				

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